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Mother's Day Assembly

Thank you to everyone who came to our assembly this week to celebrate Mother's Day. I know the children enjoyed giving their mums a special present and some children even got to read out their work!

Parents' Questionnaire

This week, all parents will receive a questionnaire. The questionnaire asks for your views on how well the academy is doing this year and where you think we need to improve. Please take the time to fill in the questionnaire and return it to your child's teacher. All questionnaires need to be handed in by Friday 31st March.

Phonics Comics

Children from nursery to year 1 continue to work on their early reading skills. The children use their phonics knowledge and skills to decode words. The best way to practise this is to read fully decodable texts. Listening to your child read their Oxford Reading Tree book for ten minutes every day is a great way to help your child with this skill. Also, Phonics Comics is a useful website for children to practise their reading skills. On this site, children can read fully decodable sentences to support their learning in class. You can access this website through the following link: <https://phonicsplaycomics.co.uk/comics.html>

Pupil Questionnaires

The children have recently completed a questionnaire. The questionnaire asks the children to give their thoughts about school. This week, I have looked at the feedback from the children in Key Stage 2. Every child in Key Stage 2 said that they learn a lot in school and nearly everyone agreed that the school provides plenty of opportunities to develop their interests. Also, compared to last year, the majority of our children said they remember more of the curriculum. I am delighted with this feedback. Teachers in Key Stage 2 are continuing to plan activities to help our children remember more. I will keep you updated on the progress that we make as a school with this.

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to year 1 for having an attendance of more than 97%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
93.8%	97.4%	95%	95.8%	92.1%	92.7%	89.9%	93.8%

Twitter

Please remember to continue to check our Twitter account for the latest information about the academy. Last week, our teachers shared examples of work that the children have recently done in class.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher